

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, Thursday, June 30, 1870.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; President Don Campbell presiding. Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Under direction of the President, the Secretary carried to the House, with action of the Senate, House bill No. 54, "An Act for the relief of the East Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Association."

Also Senate bill No. 172, "An Act to incorporate the Belleville, Hempstead and Brazos Bridge Company."

Also Senate bill No. 40, "An Act to provide for permanently locating the county seat of Robertson county."

Senate bill No. 76, "An Act to authorize the Police Court of Washington county to levy a special tax for building a jail at the county seat."

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Mills: Memorials from citizens of Grimes county, Texas.

Read and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Report of Committee on Contingent Expenses:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
June 30, 1870.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Contingent Expenses beg leave to report the following bills presented, passed upon and approved:

Mileage of Senator Pyle as a witness before the Select Committee of the Senate.....	\$64 00
Mileage of Senator Parsons to State Fair.....	120 00
Mileage of Senator Bell to State Fair.....	120 00
Mileage of Senator Douglas to State Fair.....	120 00
William D. Scott, for one desk.....	50 00

Williams Raatz, for locksmithing.....	48 25
Sampson & Henricks.....	269 18
Sampson & Henricks	9 50

And recommend the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, That no article be purchased in the future unless upon requisition made by the Secretary, and approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses, and the Clerk of the Committee on Contingent Expenses is authorized to make the purchases.

MILLS,
Chairman.

On motion of Senator Mills, the rules were suspended and the report and resolution were adopted.

Report of Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries :

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Austin, June 30, 1870.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of Senate :

SIR : Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries have given Senate bill No. 226, entitled " An Act to incorporate the Navasota, Washington and Brazos Bridge Company " due consideration, and do hereby return the same recommending its passage.

J. G. BELL,
Chairman of Committee.

Laid over under the rules.

Report of Committee on Engrossed Bills :

The Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate :

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills having examined and compared Senate bill No. 76. " To authorize the police court of Washington county to levy a special tax for building a jail at the county seat," find the same to be correctly engrossed.

G. T. RUBY,
P. W. HALL.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Mills, a bill to be entitled " An Act for the relief of Jacob T. Chandler."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

Senator Priest offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Senator W. H. Pyle have leave of absence for thirty days from July the first, 1870.

Adopted.

By Senator Fountain, an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Texas Land and Mining Company."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Ruby offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Senate do not pay for nor take any other paper than the State Journal during this session.

On motion of Senator Baker the rules were suspended to consider the resolution.

Senator Ruby moved the resolution be adopted.

Yeas and nays called for.

Yeas—Mr. President, Baker, Bell, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Parsons, Pettit, Priest, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor—14.

Nays—Cole, Evans, Pickett, Pridgen, Pyle, Shannon—6.

Absent—Mills.

Under arrest, not voting—Bowers, Broughton, Clark, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Latimer—7.

Resolution adopted.

Senator Priest moved a reconsideration of the vote taken, and to lay that motion upon the table.

Carried.

Senator Saylor moved the Chair appoint a temporary chairman for Committee on Internal Improvements.

Carried.

The Chair appointed Senator Saylor chairman.

Senator Ruby moved suspension of rules to take up House bill No. 163, "An Act to provide for the building of courthouses and jails."

Rules suspended and bill read first time, and, on motion of Senator Mills, was referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Message from the House by Chief Clerk, informing the Senate that the Speaker had signed, in open session, enrolled bill, "An Act to incorporate the Texas Banking and Insurance Company," also enrolled bill, "An Act permanently establishing the county seat of Hopkins county," whereupon they were signed by the President and returned to the House.

Senator Ruby moved suspension of rules to take from file House bill No. 26, to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the Galveston Bay Dredging Company."

Rules suspended and bill read first time.

Rules suspended and bill read second time, and, on further motion, the rules were suspended and bill read third time.

Yeas and nays taken on final passage:

Yeas—Mr. President, Baker, Bell, Cole, Evans, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—21.

Nays—None.

Under arrest and not voting—Bowers, Broughton, Cole, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Latimer—7.

Bill passed.

Senator Priest moved suspension of rules to take from file Senate bill No. 60, "An Act to incorporate the city of Sabine Pass."

Rules suspended and bill read second time.

Senator Ruby offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out, in section one, line two, the words "free inhabitants," and substitute "citizens."

Amendment adopted, and bill passed to engrossment as amended.

On further motion, the rules were suspended and bill read third time.

Yeas and nays taken on final passage; result as follows:

Yeas—Mr. President, Baker, Bell, Cole, Evans, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—21.

Nays—None.

Under arrest, not voting—Bowers, Broughton, Clark, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Latimer—7.

Bill passed.

Under direction of the President the Secretary carried to the House, with action of the Senate, House bill No. 26, to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the Galveston Bay Dredging Company."

Message from the House by Chief Clerk, informing the Senate that the Speaker had signed in open session, enrolled bill, "An Act to establish a State police and provide for the regulation and government of the same," whereupon it was signed by the President and returned to the House.

Senator Hertzberg moved suspension of rules to take up House bill No. 298, "An Act to incorporate the Agricultural, Stock Raising and Industrial Association of Western Texas."

Rules suspended and bill read first time.

Senator Baker moved further suspension of rules to put the bill on second reading.

Rules suspended and bill read second time; and on further motion the rules were suspended and bill read third time.

Yeas and nays taken on final passage; result as follows:

Yeas—Mr. President, Baker, Bell, Cole, Evans, Ford, Fountain,

Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—20.

Nays—None.

Absent—Fountain.

Under arrest, and not voting—Bowers, Broughton, Clark, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Latimer—7.

Bill passed.

Senator Priest moved suspension of rules to take up Senate bill No. 46, a bill to repeal "An Act approved January 14, 1860."

Rules suspended and bill read second time, and passed to engrossment; and on further motion the rules were suspended and bill read third time and passed.

Senator Mills moved suspension of rules to take from file House bill No. 153, "An Act appropriating money to pay a claim upon vouchers against the State."

Rules suspended and bill read first time; rules suspended read second time, and on motion of Senator Priest, was referred to Committee on Contingent Expenses.

Senator Saylor moved suspension of rules to take up Senate bill No. 2, "An Act to incorporate the Jefferson and Shreveport Railroad."

Rules suspended and bill read second time.

On motion of Senator Fountain the Senate concurred in the committee's report recommending that section sixteen be stricken out.

On motion of Senator Saylor the bill passed to engrossment, as amended.

On further motion the rules were suspended and bill read third time.

Yeas and nays taken on final passage:

Yeas—Baker, Bell, Cole, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—19.

Nays—Evans.

Under arrest, not voting—Bowers, Broughton, Clark, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Latimer—7.

Bill passed.

The Chair appointed Senator Ford Chairman of Committee on Federal Relations, and Senator Ruby Chairman of Committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Senator Hall the Senate adjourned.